

## City of Northampton Community Preservation Committee 210 Main Street, City Hall Northampton, MA 01060

March 27, 2020

Gina-Louise Sciarra City Council President 210 Main Street, Room 16 Northampton, MA 01060

Re: Community Preservation Committee Recommendation for Funding

Chairman Sciarra and City Councilors,

To encourage greater diversity of applicants for CPA funds, broaden community participation, and make applying less formidable, the Community Preservation Committee developed a 'Small Grants' process for funding requests of up to \$3,000, with a total project cost not to exceed \$6,000. The small grant process was developed to be simpler and less time consuming than the traditional application process, but small grant applicants must still demonstrate their eligibility for funding under the CPA. To expedite the availability of funding, Small Grants Recommendations are provided to City Council as soon as they are complete.

This funding round, meeting, the Community Preservation Committee voted to recommend two Small Grant allocations of \$3,000 each. These recommendations, while small dollar amounts, will have measurable impacts to two open space and recreation projects to two valued City partner groups. The full applications are available on the CPC website at <a href="http://northamptonma.gov/1048/Community-Preservation-Committee">http://northamptonma.gov/1048/Community-Preservation-Committee</a>

Please do not hesitate to contact myself, or Preservation Planner Sarah LaValley with any questions about the projects or if additional information is needed.

Thank you,

Brian Adams Chair, City of Northampton Community Preservation Committee